

Pearson, (Lennie?)

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Hotel Boniagua  
Caguas P.R.  
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Mr. & Mrs. Manley:

I've just learned of the remarks you made about me, which I think is quite unfair. If looking out for myself is being a no gooder & etc. I guess I am one because that is what I was doing when I came down here instead of staying there to play basket ball. I know I caused you to speak to Mr. Douglas for me and I had every intention of trying out for the team, but after checking up on my grades I found them very bad, so I asked you if you

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would make me a loan until  
I get started, which you agreed  
to at the time, then for some rea-  
sons you gave as the "Conscription"  
and not being able to get your mo-  
ney back if I went to war and etc.  
you didn't give me the loan, which  
put me in a worst spot than be-  
fore, it seems to me you knew I  
may have <sup>been</sup> drafted when you say  
you would make me the loan  
And now because I take this  
sure job instead of a possibility  
playing basket ball, I am no good,  
you seem to forget, I have people  
depending on me, and if I had  
stayed and not made good, I  
would have not only been putting  
them in a hole, but myself as

well, so I think I did the right thing for ~~any~~<sup>3.</sup> as everyone is concerned, but if I had gotten the loan from you, I would have stayed, but you know you can't live on nothing. I came by "Hancock Tavern" one after noon to see you and explain I was going away and why, but you weren't there, and I got the message to leave only a few days before the boat was to sail<sup>so</sup> that I didn't have time to see anyone much, I know I should have went by to see Bob Douglass, but I didn't really have time, but I have wrote him since I been here explaining everything, so I hope I have explained myself clearly, and if you feel I let you down, I am sorry, but you must remember you also let me down. So I remain

Yours In Sports  
Pearson